

APONC Board Meeting

March 10th, 2026

Officers Present	Pam Siehr, Amanda Banger, Isabelle Majerus
Board of Directors Present	Amanda Kubarek, Bo Tieszen
Board Member(s) - Absent	Danielle Goodland-Rose - Joined 4:42 pm, Margaret Korzeniowska - Joined 4:48 pm ET
Meeting Called to Order	4:41 PM ET

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

- November 18th, 2025 - Needs to add the financial report.
- December 12th, 2025 - Needs to add the financial report.
- February 10th, 2026 - Behind on minutes. Will catch up this weekend.
- February 19th, 2026: Special Meeting - Behind on minutes. Will catch up this weekend.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Pam Siehr

Congratulations to all the winners and participants at Westminster this year. Job well done! Now we can all look forward to our National Specialty in April of this year. The BOD will need to decide by May 1st the nominating committee for the future BOD slate which needs to be in place by June 1st. Historically, the nominating committee has considered present BOD members to run again for the next slate for continuity's sake. If any present BOD member would like to be considered for another term, please email Amanda, our Secretary, that you are willing to run again and which position you would like the nominating committee to consider you for.

SECRETARY'S REPORT - Amanda Banger

Nothing new to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Isabelle Majerus

Able to reach Herald and paid him ~\$1500 for the last Herder (October 2025 Herder, Paid in March 2026). It was more expensive than usual because this edition was thicker. National Specialty: Online raffles (3) which raised approximately \$500, \$500 and \$700. Approximately 3.5% of this will be lost to the PayPal processing fee. Trophy donations so far total at approximately \$600. Still collecting membership dues.

<u>Financial Report as of February 27th, 2026:</u>		<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Assets			None
Chase Checking account	\$18,329.29	Savings account interest	0.08
Chase Savings account	\$10,003.27	Membership 2026	780.96
TOTAL	\$28,332.56	Trophy Donation 2026	100.00
Beginning Balance:	\$17,448.33		881.04
Revenue	\$881.04		
Expenses	\$0.00		
Ending Balance	\$28,332.56		

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2026 National Specialty:

- There have been Facebook posts with a fake group soliciting donations and selling items for our National Specialty. I removed the fake groups and posts. I have also changed to requiring approval of any new posts temporarily to counteract that. I also removed a couple of Facebook Specialty members that appear to be bogus.
- Need to find out if there are any judges interested in a seminar for the National Specialty.
- Isabelle - Needs information (dates, address) for Specialty insurance paperwork

Illustrated Standard: Nothing new to report.

Health & Research: Nothing new to report.

Rescue: Nothing new to report.

Judges Education: Nothing new to report.

Herder: Working on the Winter 2025 edition: There is nothing to print. There have been very few submissions.

Bylaws: Nothing new to report. Seeking more general members. Interested Members: Dani, Dani will ask her mom

Ways & Means: Gathered \$200 from fundraiser. STILL waiting for the check from CustomInk.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Trademark Renewal - **Tabled: Not due until the end of 2026. Need to find a lawyer.**
2. Changing the ramp option to mandatory for our breed
 - All we would need to do is email Tim Thomas: timothy.thomas@akc.org
 - Google poll - Ask membership their opinion
 - Include list of breeds that are ramp mandatory with heights similar to PONs (17-20")
 - Cirneco Dell' Etna (17-20")
 - Chow Chow (17-20")
 - Keeshond (16-19")
 - Chinese Shar Pei (18-20")
 - Kerry Blue Terrier (17 ½ -19 ½ ")

- English Springer Spaniel (18-21")
 - Lagotto (15 ½ -19 ½ ")
 - Spanish Water Dog (15 ¾ -19 ¾)
 - Poll has been created; Should names be attached to votes to ensure no one is voting more than once?
3. Letter from AKC regarding donation to their PAC.
 - Could be worth doing - legislation regarding docked and cropped tails
 - Do we have an AKC delegate to represent APONC? Not at the moment, would be good to have one
 - Pam will forward the email she received.
 4. Breeders List will need to be updated with only members that have renewed.
 5. Tshirt Fundraiser Update - Check has been received from Custom Ink. Margaret will send it to Isabelle.

ELECTIONS OF NEW MEMBERS - N/A

NEW BUSINESS

1. Contact members for interest in the nominating committee or running for the next BOD.
 - Have to be a member before June 1st, 2024 - Amanda Bangera will send a list of members who qualify to BOD members.

MOTIONS

Motion: 0326-1	I make a motion to schedule the next BOD meeting for Tuesday, April 14th, 2026 at 4:30 pm ET. ● Motion Made By: Pam Siehr ● Seconded By: Danielle Goodland-Rose
Approved UNANIMOUSLY	Approved: Margaret Korzeniowska, Amanda Bangera, Isabelle Majerus, Danielle Goodland-Rose, Amanda Kubarek, Bo Tieszen, Pam Siehr Not Approved:
Motion: 0326-2	I make a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:42 pm ET. ● Motion Made By: Pam Siehr ● Seconded By: Margaret Korzeniowska
Approved UNANIMOUSLY	Approved: Margaret Korzeniowska, Amanda Bangera, Isabelle Majerus, Danielle Goodland-Rose, Amanda Kubarek, Bo Tieszen, Pam Siehr Not Approved:

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned	5:42 pm ET
Next Meeting	Tuesday, April 14th, 2026
Minutes Submitted By	Amanda Bangera, APONC Secretary